# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# RAILWAYS
# LOK SABHA

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COST OF LAYING NEW RAIL LINE
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**Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:**

(a) the cost of laying one kilometer rail line in India compared to the other countries;

(b) the length of the old rail line identified for immediate track renewal and the cost likely to be incurred thereon;

(c) if so, the details thereof; and

(d) the time by which the said renewal is likely to be completed?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS(SHRIRVELU)

(a) The cost of construction of new line depends on terrain, geological features, standard of formation and track, cost of labout and material etc. It varies fiom place to place. The cost of construction of new rail line in India is about Rs 3 Crore/Km to Rs. 40 Crore/Km depending upon geography. The data for other countries is not maintained.

(b) to (d): The condition of rail lines is continuously monitored and replacements are planned well in advance. There is no length of rail length, which needs immediate (emergency) replacement, which is necessitated only in case of accidents or natural calamities.